

Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

Survey No. T-842

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DOE __yes __no

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic

and/or common Tilghman and Gertie Covington House

2. Location

street & number Wharf Road _____ not for publication

city, town Tilghman _____ vicinity of _____ congressional district Fifth

state MD _____ county Talbot

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military
			<input type="checkbox"/> museum
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> park
			<input type="checkbox"/> private residence
			<input type="checkbox"/> religious
			<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
			<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
			<input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Beatrice A. Brickell

street & number _____ telephone no.: _____

city, town Wittman _____ state and zip code MD 21676

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Talbot County Clerk of Court _____ liber 516

street & number Talbot County Courthouse _____ folio 285

city, town Easton _____ state MD

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title _____

date _____ federal _____ state _____ county _____ local _____

pository for survey records _____

city, town _____ state _____

7. Description

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Condition

☐ excellent
☒ good
☐ fair

☐ deteriorated
☐ ruins
☐ unexposed

Check one

☐ unaltered
☒ altered

Check one

☒ original site
☐ moved date of move _____

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

The Tilghman and Gertie Covington House is located on the north side of Wharf Road in the village of Tilghman on Tilghman Island, Talbot County, MD. The house faces south, with the principal gable oriented on a north/south axis.

Built between 1890-1900, this two-story, frame house is clad in cedar shake shingles and the roof is covered in asphalt shingles. The brick pier foundation has been infilled with cinderblocks.

The gable end south (main) facade has a full width porch on the first floor with turned supports and a square post balustrade. The half glazed entrance door is original and acts as the eastern bay. A bank of three one-over-one sash windows acts as the western bay. The second story is lit by two two-over-two sash windows with wide surrounds and a crown moulding, and the attic story has one small one-over-one window inset. The gable has some decorative spindle work and cornice returns. An interior brick chimney rises from the center of the house.

The east elevation has a two-over-two sash window as the southern bay of the first and second story. The northern bay is a slightly projecting gable end with cornice returns and two-over-two sash windows.

The north (rear) elevation has a shed roof addition built of cinderblocks which extends the full length of the first story. An exterior brick stove stack is located at the center of this gable end and is flanked on the second floor by two-over-two sash windows. A cross gable at the attic story has a square window inset.

The two bay west elevation has two-over-two sash windows on both the first and second floors.

The interior of the house was not seen.

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/ humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		

Specific dates

Builder/Architect

check: Applicable Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D
and/or

Applicable Exception: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G

Level of Significance: ☐ national ☐ state ☒ local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

Built between 1890-1900, the Tilghman and Gertie Covington house is one of a collection of turn of the twentieth century houses built on Wharf Road in the village of Tilghman. The two-and-a-half story, two bay, gable end house type is distinctively local, although the use of shingle cladding is not typical. The Tilghman Covington house is set back from the road and has a backyard which extends to the southern banks of Dogwood Cove.

9. Major Bibliographical References

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10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

Quadrangle scale _____

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

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Verbal boundary description and justification

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code
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11. Form Prepared By

name/title Elizabeth Hughes, architectural historian

organization Talbot County Planning Office date 8/90

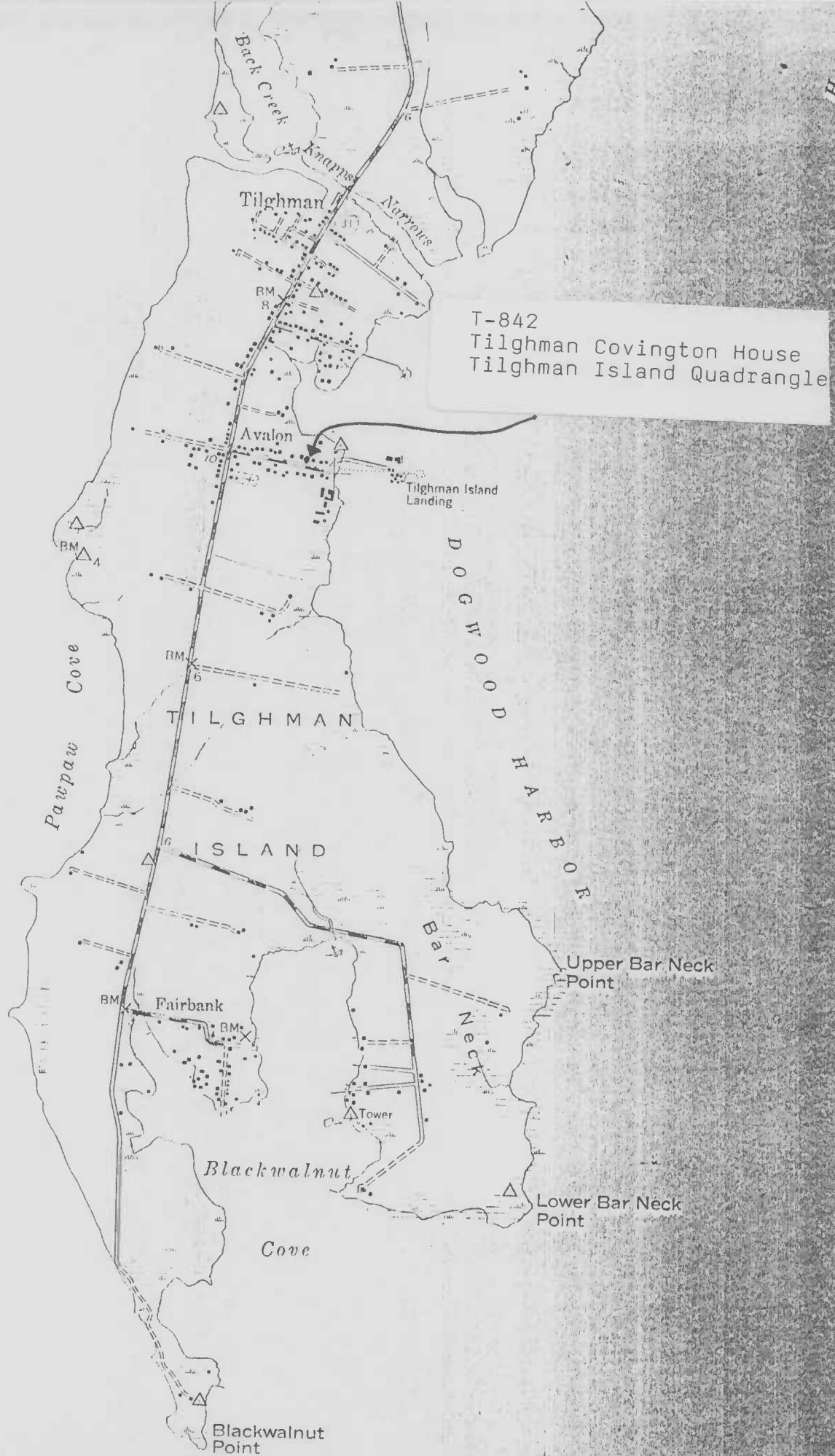
street & number Talbot County Courthouse telephone 822-2030

city or town Easton state MD

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

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TILGHMAN COUNINGTON HOUSE

TILGHMAN ISLAND, TALBOT COUNTY, MD.

SOUTH ELEVATION

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